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## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the following paragraph for the abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification:

A memory function body has a plurality of particles which are interposed between a first electrode and a second electrode. A magnitude of a current through the memory function body changes on applying a prescribed voltage between the first electrode and the second electrode, and a storage state is discriminated according to the magnitude of the current. The particles, which capture electric charges, are covered with a barrier against the passage of electric charges.